

Docket No.: 067161-0135

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Seiichi ENDO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 4114

Application No.: 10/757,438 : Group Art Unit: 2818

Filed: January 15, 2004 : Examiner: Ngan V. Ngo

For: NONVOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

Mail Stop Restriction Requirement Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

Noting the Office Action of March 3, 2005, wherein an election of Species has been required, Applicants hereby elect Species I (Figs. 1-3, upon which claims 1 and 2 are readable) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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